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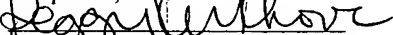


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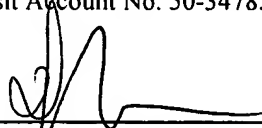
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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. At least some of the references were cited in the International Search Report mailed March 1, 2005. A copy of the search report was included with the application papers filed on January 18, 2006. Applicant hereby brings attention to the Examiner that they have a commonly assigned co-pending application, Serial No. 10/564,875 filed January 17, 2006. A copy of this co-pending application has been included for the Examiner's review.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each foreign document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. As this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. Patent Documents are not included.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §(a)(3)):

US 5,789,341 is an English equivalent of JP 9-277731 and EP 1 302 330 is an English equivalent of JP 2002-79751. EP 1 504 918 corresponds to JP 2004-42614, which is cited in the search report, EP 1 415 798 corresponds to JP 3461346, which is cited in the search report and JP 60-64302 corresponds to 4-11002, which is cited in the search report. An English abstract or a partial English translation has been included for the remaining Japanese references.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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Respectfully submitted,

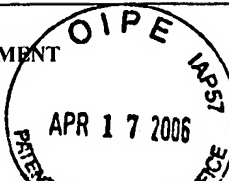
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	5,789,341	August, 1998	Furukawa				
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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	54-39764	June, 1978	Japan			Partial	
	61-40081	September, 1986	Japan			Partial	
	60-64302	April, 1985	Japan			Abstract	
	4-86701	March, 1992	Japan			Abstract	
	9-277731	October, 1997	Japan				
	2000-192376	July, 2000	Japan			Abstract	
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